



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yuichiro OGAWA et al.

Application No.: 09/988,347

Filed: November 19, 2001

For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING PNEUMATIC TIRE

Group Art Unit: 1732

Examiner: J. Canabel

Docket No.: 109808

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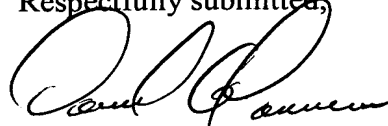
Sir:

The Examiner telephoned the undersigned on September 23, 2003, and asserted a Restriction Requirement. An election was required among the following groups: Group I, claims 1-4; Group II, claims 5-7; and Group III, claims 9-11.

On September 25, 2003, the undersigned telephoned the Examiner and orally elected Group I, claims 1-4.

This election was made with traverse because no adequate reasons exist as of yet on the record.

Respectfully submitted,



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